



## JOHNNY AND MOLLY.

As through the groves young Jonny did pass,  
He met young Molly a comely lass,  
And took her by the hand,  
He says sweet girl if you'll agree,  
And go to yonder grove with me,  
O there we'll have some serious talk,  
We'll have a forest homestead walk,  
And there shall be my bride.

The blushing maid made this reply,  
Young men are given so much to lie,  
I dare not give consent,

If I should yield with you to go,  
And you should prove my overthrown,  
O when you had my heart betray'd,  
You'd call me silly and foolish maid,  
And leave me to lament.

Then Jonny he made this reply,  
I own young men are given to lie,  
But I'm not one of those;  
The sun no more its light shall lose,  
The stars shall never more appear,  
If ever I prove false to thee,  
But always true and constant be,  
In spite of friend or foe.

O John said she could I believe,  
That you no other wife would have,  
I'd freely give consent.

I hope no other wife you mean,  
My age it is but just sixteen,  
I'm young and gay and tall and straight,  
And wishes to take sweet delight  
That belongs to marriage state.

Come come says he let us agree,  
And to some church then let us hie,  
Our marriage knot to tie;  
I'll attend my flail and plow,  
While you sit milking of your cow,  
With industry toil and care,  
I will provide for you my dear,  
And live in peace and joy.